

108TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3535

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to facilitate the use of private contracts under the Medicare Program.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 19, 2003

Mr. TOOMEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Seniors’ Health Care  
5 Freedom Act of 2003”.

6 **SEC. 2. FACILITATING THE USE OF PRIVATE CONTRACTS**

7 **UNDER THE MEDICARE PROGRAM.**

8 Section 1802(b) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
9 1395a(b)) is amended by striking paragraph (3) and by

- 1 redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as paragraphs (3)
- 2 and (4), respectively.

